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HUNTERS SURPRISED BY BEARS

Bears are very numerous in Orange and Sullivan counties, N. Y., this season. A party of three well-known sportsmen were attacked by two ferocious bears and had a narrow escape if it's a desperate fight. Joshua Sands and F. W. Low of New York, with Gustavus Schneider of Nyack, had for a week past been staying with David D. Hall at Clarsville. They had spent the morning hunting for partridge and at about noon sat down to lunch under the lee of an overhanging ridge of rock. Suddenly a good-sized bear cub fell into their dinner party from the rocks above their head. The hunters sprang to their feet, but no sooner had they done so than the mother bear and a cub nearly grown tore down the ledge of rocks and attacked them.

Low's gun was ready to his hand. He dropped upon one knee and sent a charge of birdshot into the old bear's left eye. It went down and over, but was up and at him in a moment. He had replaced the empty shell and once again he fired, this time blinding the other eye. Still the bear came on, growling fiercely and staggering from side to side. With the nozzle of his gun two feet from the bear's throat he fired and the animal fell at his feet and died.

The other bear, by far the fiercest of the two, pursued Sands and Schneider as they sped off to a sapling, against which their shotguns banded. Sands seized his weapon and fired at the bear when it was ten feet distant, the shot tearing charge striking it on the nose. He fired again almost instantaneously, this time tearing off part of the young bear's front leg. It never faltered and when almost upon him rose on its hind legs, Sands gamely clubbed his weapon and struck with all his might. As he did so Schneider rushed up, and poking the barrel of his gun over his comrade's shoulder sent a load of heavy shot full into the forehead of the enraged brute. Fortunately for both hunters it toppled backward. It struggled furiously to regain its feet, but the crippled brute prevented. Sands hastily slipped two more shells in his gun and taking careful aim at close range fired both charges into the bear's body, and it died. No one thought of the cub that had spoilt the lunch until an hour later.

Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup for teething babies. Full-size bottle, 10 cents. Cases Wind City, 100; Dr. Bull's, 100; Dr. Bull's Pain, 100; Stomach, Fever, Cholera Infusion. Dr. Bull's baby Syrup also promotes the digestion and soothes the baby. Sold by Richard Gibson and all druggists.

AUCTION SALES.

By E. F. Knox, Auctioneer
Auction Sale of Valuable
Farm Property in the
County of FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA.

Pursuant to a decree rendered on the 3rd day of June, 1901, in the chancery cause pending in the Circuit Court of Fairfax County, Va., wherein Peter H. Watkins is complainant, and Wm. H. Watkins et al., defendants, the undersigned will offer for sale at public auction on the 21st day of NOVEMBER, 1901, at 11 o'clock a.m., in front of Catto's Tavern, in West End Alexandria, "Fairfax County, Va., the following desirable tract of land, being a division of the "Strawberry Hill Farm," and belonging to the state of the late Elizabeth A. Watkins:

FIRST: A TRACT OF LAND containing 94.3-10 acres, lying to the westward of the above lot, on the north side of the Little River Turnpike adjoining the lands of B. C. Weller and Col. Arthur Herbert, containing about 21 acres of cleared land, and the balance being excellent woodland. There are desirable building sites on this tract, and a fine stream of water and a good spring.

SECOND: A TRACT OF LAND containing 84.3-10 acres, lying to the westward of the above lot, on the north side of the Little River Turnpike, and adjoining the lands of Col. Arthur Herbert, James P. Peterson and the Vacant tract. About 50 acres of this tract is cleared land, and the balance is fine woodland. There are several fine springs on this tract and a good stream of water. There are desirable building sites on this tract and a good barn capable of holding 60 tons of hay.

THIRD: A TRACT OF LAND, lying on the south side of the Little River Turnpike, containing 100-130 acres, improved by a good two-story, two-room house, stable, barn, and other out-buildings, and adjoining the lands of Leonidas Brown and Frank Hill. This tract is all cleared land, and about 60 acres of it is woodland. There are four good springs on this tract and an excellent stream of water. The Southern Railways and Washington-Southern Railway have a station on this tract of land.

All of the above property is about 2½ miles from the city of Alexandria, and is very desirable for farming, truck-gardening or dairy farming purposes.

Recent surveys have been made of this property, and the plans can be seen at the offices of J. K. M. Norton and Gardner & Booth, No. 124 South Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Va., at any time prior to the sale.

TERMS OF SALE: One-third cash, and the balance in one and two years; the date to be agreed to be evidenced by the name of the purchaser, bearing in each year, per annum, the time to be retained until the whole of the purchase may be paid, or the purchasers may, at their option, pay all cash.

Conveyancing at the cost of the purchasers.

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